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Sir:

Applicants, by their attorneys, hereby petition for a one-month extension of time for filing a response to the Final Office Action mailed on July 1, 2003, thereby extending the time for response to November 1, 2003. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of this Petition. Concurrently with the filing of this Petition, Applicants are filing

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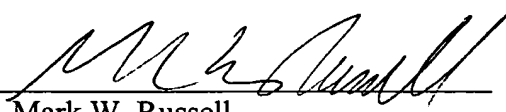
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a Request for Continued Examination in response to the Advisory Action mailed October 15, 2003.

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